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IP Time to Live (TTL) Field Used as a Covert Channel

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The relevance of the attached references is that this is the closest art of which applicant(s) is aware.

Applicant(s) submits that the above references taken alone or in combination neither anticipate nor render obvious the present invention. Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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Form PTO-1449, European Search Report and cited reference

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